

## Milwaukee County

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## COUNTY SUPERVISORS TO LAUNCH MCTS BICYCLE RACKS

Demonstration scheduled for Noon Thursday at Milwaukee County Courthouse

**Milwaukee, WI** – Milwaukee County Supervisors Patricia Jursik and Chris Larson will be the first to use the bike racks now available on a majority of Milwaukee County Transit System buses. Milwaukee County Supervisors Michael Mayo, Sr., Chairman of the County Board Transportation, Public Works & Transit Committee, and Marina Dimitrijevic will also join the Bicycle Federation of Wisconsin to officially launch the bike racks during a special event this Thursday.

"This is a great day for bike riders and transit riders. The County Board fought long and hard to make these bike racks a reality," Supervisor Jursik said. "We were successful in overriding numerous vetoes from the County Executive relating to this issue, and I'm pleased the bike racks are finally available in Milwaukee County."

"These bike racks will be a great way to increase ridership on MCTS and provide more flexibility for bicycle riders in Milwaukee County," Supervisor Larson added. "This really opens up a lot of options for residents to take their bikes to the lakefront, parks, or other parts of the County for a nice bike ride. I am pleased that this will also get more people on the bus."

Following remarks at the Milwaukee County Courthouse, Supervisors Jursik and Larson will load their bikes on MCTS bike racks and ride the bus to O'Donnell Park for a celebratory Lakefront Ride. The project was approved by the Milwaukee County Board in the 2009 budget. A "how-to" guide for bikes on buses can be found in a brochure on all buses, as well as on RideMCTS.com.

Supervisors Patricia Jursik, Chris Larson, Michael Mayo, Sr., and Marina Dimitrijevic "Bikes on Buses" event

Thursday, June 8, 2009, 12:00 Noon

Milwaukee County Courthouse 10<sup>th</sup> Street Entrance (between Wells and State)
(Rain site is 9<sup>th</sup> Street Tunnel Entrance to Courthouse)